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Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
 Expedited Procedure Requested
 Examining Group. 3618

Attorney Docket No. P21987

In re application of : David FARCOT et al.

Serial No. : 10/083,492

Group Art Unit: 3618

Filed : February 27, 2002

Examiner: Christopher Bottorff

For : ASSEMBLY FOR RETAINING A BOOT ON A GLIDING BOARD

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in the above-captioned application.

- ___ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
 ___ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
 ___ A Request for Extension of Time.
 ___ No Additional Fee.
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| Multiple Dependent Claims Presented | | | +140= | \$ | +280= | \$0.00 |
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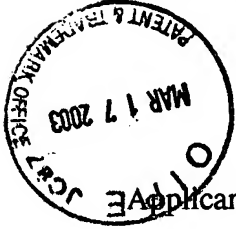
X A Check in the amount of \$102.00 to cover the filing fee is included.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

___X Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

___X Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, including any required extension of times fees in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission (37 CFR 1.136)(a)(3)

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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 17, 2002

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Sir:

In reply to the Office action dated December 17, 2002, please enter the following amendments to the instant application.

The amendments are being submitted using the revised format set forth in the Notice, dated January 31, 2003, issued by the Office of Patent Legal Administration (signed by Deputy Commissioner Stephen Kunin), entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted." The Notice explains that the provisions of 37 CFR §1.121(a), (b), (c), and (d) are waived.

The amendment includes the cancellation of original claims and the presentation of new claims; a substitute specification; and amended drawings.

Upon entry of the amendment, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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